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## READERS RAP

### Likes Jackson-Tolbert Story

Dear Editor:

In regards to your story of Rev. Jesse Jackson visiting Liberia (JET, Dec. 7), the pictures and story were so heartwarming they actually sent chills through me to read how our brothers abroad are so interested in our welfare and are so very willing to establish relationships with the Blacks of the United States. President William Tolbert was so affectionate toward our great leader it brought tears to my eyes. Tolbert emphasized that the talks were not mere discussions, but a uniting of Black men planning their destinies with intentions to follow through what was discussed.

It was truly magnificent, the determination of the two men to bring together two great bodies of common people. All Blacks should be aware of the initial meeting of the brothers and continue to follow the path which they lead. Thank you for a truly great story.

Denise Springs  
Chicago, Ill.

### Billie Holiday Film Praised

Dear Editor:

I am writing in regard to Berry Gordy's new flick *Lady Sings The Blues*. It was really a great tribute to a great lady. If the brothers and sisters are really interested in what drugs can do to them, I strongly advise them to check this out. It puts it all together very well. Right on, Sister Ross.

Joseph M. Hampton  
Galveston, Tex.

### New Way Back To Africa

Dear Editor:

I would like to compliment you on such a beautiful article on Rev. Jesse Jackson's visit to Liberia (JET, Dec. 7). His visit revealed several things to us.

First, it may give the dream that Marcus Garvey had of getting back to Africa a reality in a way he didn't think of. Second, it answered a very important question for us. We have been told that Africans do not identify with the Blacks in America because of our lack of leadership. Your article clearly showed that Liberia, with its great leaders and its abundance of riches, must not and will not accept any leader that we can throw upon her. It must be one with strength, courage, intellect and enough youthfulness to last.

Lastly, your article showed the super charisma of Rev. Jackson. You can clearly see why they invited him to their country. . . ."

Tom Manning  
Jackson, Miss.

### Why Not Men In Bikinis?

Dear Editor:

I am a Black young woman who I would enjoy seeing a dude in a pair of trunks instead of seeing a chick in a bikini every week—at least every other week. I am sure there are thousands of other chicks out there who feel the same way I do.

Becky Maria Ginyard  
Orangeburg, S. C.

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Editor's Note: JET will consider for publication only letters with names and addresses. Letters to "Readers Rap" cannot be returned or acknowledged and are subject to editing.  
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## Miller Resigns Defense Post; Moves To Columbia



*Donald Miller* Donald L. Miller, deputy assistant Secretary of Defense, has resigned his \$36,000-a-year post to accept a position at Columbia University as vice president for personnel management.

Miller, 40, who held the position for a year, told JET that he was resigning effective Jan. 21, 1973, "because I've been offered a job I want to accept. It's the sort of thing that I like to do."

He emphasized during an interview that his resignation "has nothing to do with the current tensions of the moment in the service and reflect no personal dissatisfaction with the position. I feel that the services have made some real progress this year."

While Miller declined to quote a specific salary for his new post, he indicated that it involved a "significant salary increase."

## Canada Bars Carmichael; Called 'Undesirable Alien'

Stokely Carmichael, a Black leader during the late 1960s, was recently refused admittance to Canada, where he had been invited to appear on a television program.

Canadian immigration department officials declared Carmichael inadmissible and ruled that he was an "undesirable alien."

## NATIONAL REPORT

### Solidarity: Panthers To Support Eldridge Cleaver

The West Coast faction of the Black Panther Party, which split with Eldridge Cleaver last January, recently vowed to support Cleaver should he return to the United States.



*Eldridge Cleaver* Cleaver should he return to the United States.

Cleaver, who has been living in exile in Algeria since 1968, reportedly plans to return to this country soon. It is believed that Algerian officials are anxious to see Cleaver and other members of the party leave the country.

"Eldridge Cleaver criticized us, not to help us, but to destroy us," Panther leader Huey P. Newton said in a statement published in the Black Panther newspaper.

But, Newton continued, despite ideological differences that resulted in Cleaver's expulsion from the party, "Eldridge Cleaver is not our enemy, he is not our oppressor. He is not the cause of the conditions which threaten the lives of the Black community."

### Government Working To Resegregate U. S.: ACLU

Although it cited gains in securing voting rights and rights for women, homosexuals and prisoners, the American Civil Liberties Union recently charged that the federal government is consciously working to resegregate America.

## **PUSH Convenes 'Cross Fertilization' Conference**

The name of the conference was deceiving at first glance. Visions of biologists or horticulturalists meeting danced in the mind. But the Cross Fertilization Assembly recently held in Chicago brought together Black American business executives and Liberian business leaders to discuss ways of cultivating healthy offsprings in a universal Black business market.

Hosted by Operation PUSH,

sales represented." Boutte's reference, however, did not include the potential sales volume that could come from Liberia, for example, which was represented by A. Romeo Horton, president of the Bank of Liberia, and Edward Peal, Liberian ambassador to the U. S.

Rev. Jackson noted, "They (Liberians and other Africans) have raw materials; we (Black businessmen) have finished goods. We have the market and some capital. They have land." He stressed the need



*Rev. J. Jackson*



*Alvin Boutte*



*Al Johnson*



*Al Bell*

whose national president is Rev. Jesse L. Jackson, the purpose of the three-day assembly was to: "First, make sure that business leaders from across this land get to know one another on a first-name basis. Secondly, to discuss ways and means of doing business with and helping one another. And thirdly, to share intelligence and experience which will offer guidelines as to how we shall grow and prosper," Rev. Jackson said.

During a dinner for the assembly hosted by JET Publisher John H. Johnson, businessman Alvin Boutte, president of Chicago's Independence Bank, noted that "in this room tonight, there is three quarters of a billion dollars in

for an economic link between the Black American business sector and the economic community of Africa. Rev. Jackson urged that Africans begin to utilize Black distributors in America for their export goods.

Leading workshops and business discussions during the three-day meet at PUSH's national headquarters were Al Bell, executive vice president of Stax Records; Al Johnson Sr., president of Al Johnson Cadillac Co.; W. Leonard Evans, president of Tuesday Publications; Ivan Houston, president of the Golden State Mutual Life Insurance Co. of Los Angeles, and Clarence Avant, president of Sussex Records in Hollywood.

# Texas Millionaire Businessman-Politician Hobart Taylor Sr. Dies

Hobart Taylor Sr., 76, millionaire Texas businessman, political and civic leader for more than 50 years, died in Houston, Tex., in Memorial Hospital where he had been confined since suffering a heart attack more than one month ago. In 1965, he was inducted into the Texas Hall of Fame.

After he graduated from Prairie View (Tex.) A&M College in 1918, Taylor became associated with the National Benefit Life Insurance Co. where he rose to regional director of its sales office in Houston and remained until the company went into bankruptcy. He then became one of the founders of the Watchtower Life Insurance Co. of Houston in 1930 where he became director. Watchtower later became part of Golden State Mutual Insurance Co.

In 1930, Taylor also entered the taxicab business in Houston and continued in this endeavor and other insurance and real estate ventures until his retirement in the middle 1950s.

Born in Texas, Taylor was the son and grandson of businessmen who had engaged in land ownership and building contracting. Early in his adult life, Taylor became involved in the political arena. He worked for and largely financed the *Grovey vs. Townsend* case from lower courts through the U. S. Supreme Court which



*A Texan, Taylor was first Black Democrat delegate from the South.*

gave Blacks the right to vote in Texas primaries. He financed other cases involving civil rights.

Taylor's involvement in politics and his friendship with Democratic political leaders such as Rep. Albert Thomas and Bob Casey, the mayor of Houston, and former President Lyndon B. Johnson led to Taylor becoming the first Black delegate from the South to the Democratic National Convention since Reconstruction.

Active in church work in Wesley Chapel AME Church where he served as Sunday school teacher of the men's Bible class for 42 years, Taylor organized the Houston campaign of the United Negro College Fund, served on the advisory board of the Selective Service System and the YMCA.

He is survived by his wife, Virginia; a son Hobart Taylor Jr., and two sisters, Mrs. Alma Love and Mrs. Regent Thomas.

## LAW AND JUSTICE

### Florida Legislature Votes To Restore Death Penalty



A. J. Cooper

If other states follow the course that the Florida state legislature recently took to reimpose the death penalty, the 306 Black prisoners on death rows in American penitentiaries may once again face execution in the gas chamber or the electric chair.

Although the U. S. Supreme Court ruled last summer that the death penalty constitutes cruel and unusual punishment, the Florida legislators voted to make the following punishable by death: premeditated murder, the rape of a child under 11 by a person over 17 and the sale of heroin by a person over 17 when that sale causes the death of a drug user.

A JET report on Blacks awaiting death behind bars (June 15) revealed that the death penalty as administered in the U. S. constitutes the ultimate form of racial repression. In fact, the evidence of racial discrimination is strongly suggested by the national execution figures kept since 1930 by the U. S. Dept. of Prisons. Of the 3,859 persons executed for all crimes since 1930, 2,066 have been Black or members of other racial minority groups. Of the 455 men executed for rape alone, 405 have been Black.

Prichard (Ala.) Mayor A. J.

Cooper, a civil rights lawyer who has represented several Blacks on death row, termed the Florida move to reimpose the death penalty as "unfortunate."

"I think every state in the country is going to move now to get statutes providing narrow classifications, like rape, where the death penalty will be used," Cooper predicted. "I think this is unfortunate, because the death penalty, itself, will not reduce the number of crimes committed."

### Judge Orders Handcuffs For Magee During Trial

The trial of Ruchell Magee, accused of murder and kidnap in the 1970 Marin County Courthouse shootout which resulted in the deaths of four persons (JET, Dec. 14) goes on, but now Magee will wear handcuffs during future appearances at his trial, as a result of a swing he took at his attorneys.

The 32-year-old San Quentin inmate was ejected from the court for the eighth consecutive day, demanding daily that his court-appointed attorneys, Robert Carrow and Rommel Bondoc, be dismissed and that he be allowed to defend himself. "I can't even stand to look at this dog," Magee was quoted as saying as he spat at one of the attorneys.

The defense attorneys requested that instead of handcuffing Magee, who faces a second life term if convicted, Judge Morton R. Colvin dismiss them from the case. "I am interested only in the orderly process of the trial," said Colvin, declining the request.

## Parolee Kills Self And Wife Of Prominent D. C. Lawyer



A 1971 Mercedes-Benz sports car with a Washington, D. C., license number suddenly swerved to the curb of one of Wash-

ington's high income Black neighborhoods. A woman was slumped over the wheel. A white man was sprawled in the street. For tense minutes, neighbors rushed to the scene as a passerby ran to the home of Howard President James E. Cheek and asked him to call an ambulance.

When police arrived, it was discovered that Mrs. Dorothy T. Duncan, 48, wife of former D. C. corporation counsel Charles Duncan, who is the son of famed singer Todd Duncan, had been slain by Walter J. Newsome, a 52-year-old white Hyattsville, Md., part-time electrician, who had done odd jobs in the Black neighborhood.

Mrs. Duncan was said to be giving Newsome, who often worked in the area, a ride to his home.

Newsome was on parole from the Ohio State Penitentiary where he had been sentenced to life imprisonment for the 1944 murder of his wife. Police reported that eyewitnesses said Newsome whipped out a pistol and fired one shot into Mrs. Duncan's temple then fatally shot himself in the mouth. No motive was given.

## Hospital Head Lays Off 1,000 Employees; Gets Raise

A recent registered nurses strike that cost Chicago Cook County hospital about \$800,000 is one of the principle reasons 1,000 employees must



be laid off (more than half of them Black), according to a spokesman for Dr. James C. Haughton, director of the Cook County Hospitals Governing Commission.

What has helped turn the action into controversy is an announcement from the hospital that Dr. Haughton's salary would be increased 10 percent to \$66,000 (previously \$60,000), making him the highest paid public official in the State of Illinois.

The spokesman said that most of the persons being laid off are in jobs that will not adversely affect the hospital's medical care, although some practical nurses will be laid off. Mrs. Rosie Shelton, president of District 1 of the Licensed Practical Nurses Assn., said if 290 LPN's are fired (laid off is the word Haughton uses, the spokesman said), the remaining nursing staff will be so overworked that they may be unable to maintain the necessary level of patient care."

The spokesman said that the hospital's board voted Dr. Haughton a pay increase last July but he refused to take it then.

*James Haughton*

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# Ticker Tape U.S.A.

By Simeon Booker, Washington Bureau Chief

**Confidential:** It may come as a shock, but 37 top-ranking Black appointees of the Nixon Administration heard some sobering news during a recent White House meeting. Before President Nixon arrived to personally greet the VIPs, one of his major aides made the point that every one of the Cabinet members who visited the President at his Camp David, Md., retreat commented about the seriousness of the domestic racial situation and stressed that the next Administration must be much more sensitive to the needs of minorities. . . . Navy Admiral **Elmo Zumwalt** has made a courageous effort to improve the condition of minorities. But critics have a hard case. The admiral, with a 100-member staff, has Blacks involved only in equal opportunity or race-relations roles. Critics feel Zumwalt's operation should set the example. . . . The next session held by President Nixon with Black leaders could include **Floyd McKissick**, founder of Soul City, N. C., Chicago's **Malcolm X College** President **Charles G. Hurst Jr.**; **Rev. L. V. Booth**, president of the Progressive Baptist Convention; **Cleveland Call** and **Post** newspaper Publisher **William O. Walker**; **Rev. J. H. Jackson**, president of the National Baptist Convention, and **Dr. Eddie Smith** of the National Dental Assn. The strategy is to deal first with those who helped the President during his reelection campaign.

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**Rare Honor:** One of the few Blacks rushed into the field to speed up services for the Pennsylvania flood victims was honored at the Dept. of Housing and Urban Development. He is **Jackson Wright**, a former housing specialist with the American Institute of Architects.

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**National Headliners:** A budding force in Black radio is white conservative columnist **William Buckley**, who has invested in the **Starr Broadcasting System**, with stations in Houston, Tex., North Little Rock,

Ark., Memphis, Tenn., New Orleans, La., and the San Francisco, Calif., area. As Blacks rap about the potential, whites are beginning to buy up the lucrative station licenses—and then ward off any challenges. . . . **James Huger** was elected the first Black county councilman of Daytona Beach, Fla. He is a business manager at Bethune-Cookman College.



J. H. Jackson



Charles Hurst

## Maddox Promises Senator Top Georgia Senate Post

The first Black elected to the Georgia legislature in modern times has a good chance to control a major state senate committee, thanks to a promise made by a white man who once brandished a pistol and used ax handles to keep Blacks out of his restaurant.



*Leroy Johnson*



*Lester Maddox*

State Sen. Leroy Johnson, who has served 10 years in the Georgia senate, recently was promised a choice committee assignment by Georgia Lt. Gov. Lester Maddox, former governor of the state.

Political observers in Georgia speculate that Johnson is in line for the chairmanship of the Judiciary Committee.

Johnson's candidacy for the post was the upshot of his support for the Georgia Senate Democratic Caucus, which has come under fire by 21 anti-Maddox senators who have resigned from the caucus.

Maddox, who has the power to appoint all committee chairmen, said he made the promise recently when Johnson asked for, but was refused an appointment to the World Congress Center Committee.

## Cincinnati's First Black Mayor: Theodore Berry

Theodore M. Berry, 67, and a practicing lawyer, was recently installed as the first Black mayor of Cincinnati.

Vowing to "bind our citizens not by the bond of money or profit alone, but by the ties of neighborly concern and good will," Berry pledged to work for togetherness among the people and for increased employment for youth to cut crime in the city.

Berry, who was active in civil rights and the first president of the Cincinnati chapter of the NAACP, is a former assistant director of the federal Office of Economic Opportunity.

## Bekoe Director Of New Chicago Plan

Ben Bekoe, a former director of the Chicago Urban League's Apprenticeship Program, was recently named director of the New Chicago Plan.

The New Chicago Plan, which replaced one that folded when its leaders could not document claims it had placed thousands of minority workers in construction jobs, is a voluntary agreement between unions and building contractors to substantially increase minorities in the construction industry.

Former Chicago alderman Fred Hubbard, who headed the earlier plan, has been charged with embezzling \$100,000.

Hamilton Jenkins, an Urban League staff member since 1965, was named assistant director of the new plan.

## Baraka Hits Resignation Of Newark Police Chief



*I. A. Baraka*

Poet and playwright Imamu Amiri Baraka recently charged that the resignation of Newark (N. J.) Police Director John Redden came

as a result of his refusal to enforce laws against white demonstrators protesting the building of a \$6.4 million housing project for low- and middle-income families in a white area of the city.

"He was in a situation where he had to enforce the law, which was unpopular with whites," Baraka told JET. "It proves to us that the law and order business is a disguise for racism; when the time comes to talk in the other direction, he would rather resign than deal with it."

Work on the 16-story Kawaida Towers recently resumed after it had been halted for weeks as a result of the picketing by whites.

Baraka asked his followers not to go near the work site during that period for fear that the situation might erupt further.

Redden, who was an appointee of Black Mayor Kenneth A. Gibson, said, "My reason for returning to my permanent position (deputy chief) concerns the intolerable situation which has developed as a result of the Kawaida Towers project."

## Mississippi Methodists Merge; End Segregation

Times are changing everywhere and the Methodist Church in Mississippi has moved with the times by ending racial segregation in its Methodist Conference.

The two white conferences and the two Black conferences of the United Methodist Church voted to merge into two integrated conferences—one to represent the northern half of the state and the other the southern portion.

The Mississippi conferences were the last in the nation to merge under the church's constitutional requirement to end racial barriers. The merger will end the racially-segregated administrative structure of the Mississippi United Methodist Conference.

In June, 1972, the two Black Mississippi conferences voted unanimously to merge, according to Rev. Henry Clay, a minister with the Black southern conference. Action was delayed by both white conferences until recently, pending further study.

Bishop Mack B. Stokes, administrative head of the four Mississippi conferences, said that the plan does not call for merging congregations and stressed that local churches will not be affected by merger negotiations. "The decision of what is done in the local church is left up to that church. This merger involves only the conferences, which are the administrative level of the churches," Bishop Stokes said.

## BUSINESS

### Dr. Bunche's Widow Gets Most Of \$250,000 Estate

Statesman Ralph J. Bunche, who died Dec. 9, 1971, left an estate valued at about \$250,000, with the bulk of it, personal and real property, going to his wife, Mrs. Ruth Bunche.

In a recently probated will, Bunche, the former United Na-



*Dr. Ralph Bunche* tions undersecretary for special political affairs, also bequeathed \$10,000 to his sister, Mrs. Grace B. Robinson and \$5,000 to his aunt, Mrs. Nellie Johnson.

Bunche, 67 at the time of his death, also bequeathed all manuscripts and material of his own composition and all accruing copyrights and royalties to be shared equally by Mrs. Bunche, his daughter, Joan, and his son, Ralph Jr.

Miss Bunche, who was also named co-executrix of the will with her mother, told JET that her father's notes, manuscripts and diaries make up a substantial volume with some interesting insights into his long career at the UN which included a major role in the settlement of the Middle East conflict in 1950, for which he was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize.

"We are still going over the ma-

terial with representatives of the United Nations to classify the confidential from what could be made public," Miss Bunche said. Some of the material will have to be returned to the UN. The family then intends to donate others to a yet unnamed institution.

In addition to his share of the manuscripts and diaries, Bunche's son received possession of the family's wine cellar and an auto-



*Ralph Bunche Jr.* mobile. His daughter was bequeathed all of his books.

Dr. Bunche's grandchildren, Karen Pierce, 14, John Pierce, 11, and Nina Pierce, 9, the children of a deceased daughter, Jane (who plunged to her death from the roof of her nine-story apartment building in October, 1966), were not inheritors in his will. Although their father, Burton Armstrong Pierce, did not contest the will, he did note in a desposition to the Probate Court that there was a question in his mind concerning Bunche's signature, "which although intelligible is hardly legible and is not what one would expect from a statesman. . . ."

The question was removed from Pierce's mind after being informed by lawyers that the will was signed while Bunche was hospitalized before his death.

## Firm Gets \$400,000 Pact For Academy Food Service



*L. Von Blaine* government that will put him back in the kitchen.

Von Blaine, who heads the Afro-American Services Inc., recently signed a \$400,000 contract with the Dept. of Commerce's Maritime Division to provide food services for the United States Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point, Long Island, N. Y.

The academy has 1,000 cadets and Afro-American Services will be required to service an around-the-clock menu.

## SBA Seeks To Recover \$7,500 Loan To Elks

The Small Business Administration (SBA) is currently attempting to get back a \$7,500 loan it administered to an Elks lodge because the lodge was discovered to limit its membership to white males.

H. L. Reinhart of the SBA said that Elks Lodge No. 282 of Lock Haven, Pa., received the money to repair damage to its clubhouse caused by a tropical storm. He said that the agency would try to recover the money "voluntarily, or one way or another."

## AFRICAN AFFAIRS

### Group Forms Business Unit To Aid Blacks And Africans

Darwin W. Bolden, national executive director of the Interracial Council for Business Opportunity since 1968, is leaving the organization Dec. 31 to assume new duties as president of the newly-formed Pan African Business Information Center.



*Darwin Bolden*

The center was established as a nonprofit corporation earlier this year as a result of a series of conversations between African ambassadors and Black American businessmen and will serve as a vehicle for business-related problems concerning emerging nations of Africa and the Caribbean.

"The premise of Pan Af," Bolden stated, "is that increased business relationship between America and Africa will encourage the movement of minority citizens into the mainstream of the American economy and simultaneously provide Africa with further external resources to meet her development plans and requirement."

During the past four-and-a-half years, Bolden has been responsible for more than doubling the size of ICBO from seven to 14 local councils across the country, raising more than \$17 million and establishing ICBO as the major national volunteer organization assisting minority businessmen.

## **La. Officials Threaten To Close Troubled Southern U.**

"Go back to class or your school will be shut down for good" was the ultimatum given recently by the Louisiana Board of Education to Southern University (New Orleans) students in the wake of continued class boycotts, resulting from campus disturbances which resulted in the shooting deaths of two students.



*Ira Simmons*



*D'Army Bailey*

"Unless the students return to class, we shall recommend to the governor and the legislature that a study begin immediately to determine a more effective utilization of the facilities on the campus," threatened president Enoch T. Nix of the education board.

Although the shooting incident occurred at Southern's main campus in Baton Rouge, La., students at the New Orleans campus have boycotted classes, calling for a thorough investigation of the killings and prosecution of those persons responsible.

But warnings made by officials to permanently close the institution did not interfere with an all-

Black committee of inquiry which found that the buckshots that killed the two students on Nov. 16 came from the shotgun of "a sheriff's deputy or deputies."

The committee charged that the two students, Denver A. Smith and Leonard Brown Jr., both 20, were shot by "criminally negligent law officers."

In a preliminary report, the committee, headed by Berkeley (Calif.) city councilman Ira Simmons and D'Army Bailey, concluded that sheriff's deputies fired on the students "without provocation" and that Sheriff Al Amiss was "emotionally and professionally ill-equipped to deal with the situation."

However, Louisiana Gov. Edwin W. Edwards, who said he agreed with proposals to close the New Orleans campus for good and use it for something other than a college if the boycott continued, criticized the committee's findings.

Nevertheless, the "official" state commission investigating the shooting contradicted statements by Edwards and law enforcement officials that students began firing tear gas canisters at police.

The commission finding in effect supports statements from student eyewitnesses to the incident that students only threw back tear gas canisters fired at them from deputy sheriff's shotguns. Police were called to the campus when several hundred students occupied the administration building in connection with their demands for improved campus housing, classroom facilities and food and a greater voice in administration affairs.

## New Jersey Fifth Grader Finds Fossil In Backyard

A Black Newark fifth grader, at the age of 10, may have become the nation's youngest scientist when she discovered a 370-million-year-old fossil in her backyard.

Sandra McQueen, a student at the Warren Street School, found that paying attention in class has its rewards. She made the discovery following a visit to the school by Robert Salkin, coordinator-teacher of a federally funded Title I Program based at the Newark Museum. Salkin's lecture-demonstration of prehistoric life showed the students fossils over 50 million years old and provided them with reading material.

Sandra's scientific find, embedded in a 20-pound rock, was identified as brachiopods, a group of sea-shells which lived in ancient seas in North America and were probably brought to the New Jersey area about 12,000 years ago by glaciers.

*Sandra shows her valuable fossil discovery.*



## Former Jackson State Dean President Of Johnson Smith

A new pilot will be at the helm of Johnson C. Smith University in Charlotte, N. C., when the school opens for its second term next month. He is Dr. Wilbert Greenfield, 39, who is currently serving as dean of academic affairs at Jackson (Miss.) State College.

Greenfield recently accepted the presidency at Smith shortly after the position was offered by the university's board of trustees. He will replace Dr. Lionel H. Newsum who, last month, became president of Central State University in Wilberforce, Ohio.

The chairman of the Johnson C. Smith presidential search committee, Matthew J. Whitehead, said Greenfield was selected because of "his ability to articulate with the faculty-student-administrative community."

Greenfield has been dean at Jackson State since 1967.

## Law Bars Assigning Pupils To Schools; NAACP Sues

The Sacramento (Calif.) National Assn. for the Advancement of Colored People recently filed a class-action suit to overturn a newly-passed state constitutional amendment which states that "no public school student shall, because of his race, creed or color, be assigned to or be required to attend a particular school."

The measure, which was passed by a 63 to 47 percent margin by California voters, has been interpreted as banning compulsory school integration.



## ARMED FORCES

### Pentagon Panel Backs Charges Of Discrimination Against Black Servicemen

A biracial Pentagon task force studying racial discrimination in the military recently supported contentions of Black soldiers that



Daniel James      Nathaniel Jones

the military justice system deals unfairly with Blacks.

The task force, chaired by Nathaniel R. Jones, general counsel for the National Assn. for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), and Lt. Gen. Claire E. Hutchin, commander of the First Army, said that it found basis for the charges of Blacks in interviews with scores of servicemen. The panel concluded that this contributes "to racial animosity and tension" in the military.

Black servicemen often have complained of receiving more severe punishment than whites from white commanders for minor offenses that do not require formal trials and of receiving disproportionate numbers of less than honorable discharges. Another complaint has been that Blacks are often put under pretrial confinement while whites charged with the same offenses go free.

The most recent of the military's racial outbreaks took place at the Midway Island naval station and at the Norfolk, Va., naval installation. The clash involving 130 sailors resulted in minor injuries to five sailors, four of them white and one Black.

The disturbance at Norfolk Naval Station resulted in 32 Blacks and one white being confined. Capt. Samuel Anders, commanding officer of the base, said that the clash began when an altercation developed between one Black and one white.

Howard R. Smith, a 19-year-old Black seaman who was one of the leaders of the sit-downs aboard the *USS Constellation* (JET, Nov. 30) in protest to what Blacks called "calculated racism," said that members of an all-white congressional committee investigating the incidents were more interested in the role of Blacks in the demonstration than the causes of the troubles.

Maj. Gen. Daniel (Chappie) James, deputy assistant Secretary of Defense, charged that the racial problems affecting the military "reflect the same problems as society."

"We have a drug problem, society has a drug problem. We have a racial problem, society has a racial problem. But we have made more progress in the military than anywhere else in the world," the Black general contended.

"I am not saying that because we have progressed to this point we should stop. I feel that we have work to be done, and we will continue to progress."

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*Shortly after approval of his appointment as first Black FCC commissioner, Hooks stands outside new office.*

## MAN BEHIND CHANGES TO MAKE RADIO, TV RELATE TO BLACKS

By Robert A. DeLeon  
*JET Managing Editor*

**A** lot of us get these jobs *because* we are Black and then forget our Blackness once we arrive. Well, I don't plan to forget that I'm a Black man on the FCC and you can believe that my colleagues here won't forget either."

With these words, Benjamin Lawson Hooks goes a long way toward explaining his outlook and mission as the first Black member of the Federal Communications Commission, the agency which

grants all radio and television licenses and regulates interstate telephone and telegraph services in the U. S.

Hooks says that his biggest complaint against the communications industry, at this point, is that it does not accurately portray the Black experience. "We intend to press in Washington for more balanced news coverage of Black people," he says. "Unless we rob a bank or hold somebody up, we're not portrayed."

"Black people in this country have a story to tell, and my feeling is that if this story is told, this will be a better place to live. We have a right to do our own thing our own way. To tell about our woes. To tell about how it feels to be a motherless child. How it feels to know that I have been rebuked and I've been scorned, and I've been talked about just as sure as you're born."

To that end, the Baptist preacher and former judge from Memphis, Tenn., has traveled throughout the country speaking to radio and television executives, admonishing them to give "my people" a piece of the action—both on the air and in the board rooms.

Speaking to a group of cable television executives in Denver, Colo., earlier this year, Hooks said, "You've got to bust out of your thinking that you've got to have it all. The community should benefit . . . and Black folks want a piece of the action. Let's have a partnership where everybody can get something out of it.

"I might as well take off the gloves and tell you where I stand," he continued. "I don't conceive that I'm up in Washington to enjoy the cocktail parties and I'm not in Denver to enjoy the good steak. I'm here to do a job because Black people have suffered too much."

Later, in a speech at the Na-

tional Assn. of Educational Broadcasters convention in Las Vegas, Nev., Hooks informed the officials, "I think your record of minority hiring, your record of minority participation, is abysmal. I can never be the friend of public television I would like to be until you get your own house in order.

"I'm appalled at the lack of Blacks and Chicanos and women at stations," he went on. "You have not been fair and may as well admit it and go back home and try to get it straight."

While Hooks has strong criticism for the practices of the nation's 991 public and commercial television stations, he credits them for making whites aware of some of Black America's many sorrows. "Were it not for television," he says, "I think that the civil rights revolution of the late 1950s and early 1960s would have been a flop. Television gave the world a clear and moving picture of Black



*Hooks, who took substantial salary cut from Memphis law practice, is sworn in for \$38,000-a-year job by Judge William Bryant (r).*

## 'If Anyone Thinks The Revolution Is Over, They're Crazy'

people trying to get into restaurants, or trying to go to school and being beaten with whips, billy-clubs and fire hoses. This reached people's consciences." He cautions, however, that "if anyone thinks the revolution is over,

distinguished record defending Blacks of all stations in life.

Recalling the early years of his legal career in the then-segregated southern town, Hooks says, "At that time, you were insulted by law clerks, excluded from the



*During interview on The Today Show, Hooks explains to Bill Munro why he espouses preferential treatment for Blacks in broadcasting.*

they're crazy. There are still very important things to be fought for."

**W**HILE Hooks tends to play down his involvement in the "revolution" about which he speaks, his credentials as an activist are impressive. After finishing Chicago's DePaul University Law School in 1949, Hooks began practicing law in his hometown of Memphis, Tenn., and compiled a

white bar association and when I was in court, I was lucky to be called 'Ben.' Usually it was just 'boy.'" He recalls, however, "that the judges were always fair. The discrimination of those days has all changed and, today, the South is ahead of the North, in many respects, in civil rights progress."

Hooks became active in elective politics in 1954 when he made an unsuccessful bid for the Tennes-

see State Legislature. In 1959, he sought election as a Juvenile Court judge and was defeated once again. He lost in another attempt to become a judge in 1963 but attracted national attention when he was endorsed by the Memphis Commercial Appeal, one of the city's white daily newspapers.

Two years later, Gov. Frank G. Clement appointed Hooks the first Black Criminal Court judge in modern Tennessee history. He was elected to a full term in 1966 but resigned at the beginning of 1969 to return to his law practice.

A close associate of the late Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Hooks felt a "mission to preach" in 1955 and became pastor of the city's Middle Baptist Church. In 1964, he was "called" by a congregation in Detroit and flew there twice monthly to conduct services.

The son of Robert B. Hooks Sr., the owner of a photographic business, and Bessie White Hooks, Hooks is married to the former Frances Dancy. They have one daughter, Patricia Hooks Gray, who lives in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Following his resignation as Criminal Court judge, Hooks served for two years as president of the now-defunct Mahalia Jackson Fried Chicken franchises. (Speaking of Blacks' failure to support the venture, Hooks said, "I've seen my long-haired brothers, with their hands up in a Black power salute, shuffle right on by to Colonel Sanders Kentucky Fried Chicken.")

Hooks, who will celebrate his 48th birthday in a couple weeks, also served as vice president and

treasurer of the Mutual Federal Savings and Loan Assn. of Memphis, was a member of the Memphis-Shelby County Human Relations Council and was a board member and financial secretary of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference.



*Hooks addresses group of Black radio station owners during recent conference in Washington, D. C.*

**P**RESIDENT Nixon first promised to name a Black FCC commissioner in 1968 during a speech to members of the National Newspaper Publishers Assn. Speculation as to who the new commissioner would be heightened when Robert T. Bartley announced that he would retire from the commission after serving 20 years when his term expired last June. Since the commission can have no more than four members of a particular party, and there already were four Republican commissioners, the new member had to be a Democrat or an Independent.

The three top contenders were

## Hooks Was Selected From Three Contenders For FCC Post

Hooks, Revius Ortique, a New Orleans attorney, and Ted Ledbetter, a Washington, D. C., communications consultant.

Ortique was supported by two powerful Louisiana congressmen, Sen. Allen Ellender and Rep. Hale Boggs. Ledbetter's cause was championed by none other than the Senate's only Black member, Edward Brooke.

Hooks was backed by Republican Tennessee Sen. Howard Baker as well as officials of numerous civil rights and broadcasting organizations.

On April 12, President Nixon named Hooks to the \$38,000-a-year post and his appointment was routinely confirmed by the Senate 48 days later.

Following his confirmation, Hooks showed up an hour late for his maiden press conference. Upon his arrival, the new commissioner

*During meeting, Hooks confers with special assistant Chester Higgins Sr.*



flashed a grin at waiting reporters and said, "It took 38 years for us to get our first Black commissioner, so I decided I was going to take all the time I wanted."

**A**LTHOUGH he is a Democrat, Hooks says he thinks as a "political independent," explaining, "The Democrats take Black people for granted and the Republicans don't put forth much effort to secure our vote." His qualifications for the FCC post, aside from his legal and business expertise, included being producer and host of his own Memphis television show, *Conversations in Black and White*, co-producer of *Forty Percent Speaks* (Memphis has a 40 percent Black population) and a panelist for five years on a program called *What Is Your Faith?*

One of the toughest tasks undertaken by Hooks since his appointment has been attempting to remedy discriminatory employment practices at his own agency—the FCC.

"At the FCC itself," he notes, "with over 1,700 employees, we don't have any Blacks in grades 16, 17, and 18 and only three in grade 15. We now have a substantial employment rate in the lower Civil Service grades but there has got to be a massive effort to open up the higher ranks to members of minority groups."

Recently, the FCC approved establishment of two equal employment opportunity offices to handle complaints both within the commission itself and the powerful



*Following formal meeting, members of FCC (l-r), Hooks, Richard Wiley, Charlotte Reid, Chairman Dean Burch, Nicholas Johnson, H. Rex Lee and Robert Lee, pose for photographer.*

broadcast industry it regulates. Both offices, staffed by separate officials, report to the commission through Hooks, who is the EEO officer. Hooks also has been designated the "backlogs commissioner," to help break the logjam of petitions for broadcast licenses and license renewals.

Hooks has an integrated personal staff (a special assistant, two legal assistants, a confidential assistant and a secretary) and offers no apologies to those who would have it any other way. "I recognize this is a day where some people are preaching Black separatism," he says, "and while I can understand the agony and the bitterness and the frustration that produces that mood, at my age I'm just too old to, you know, go that route. I still believe integration is the ultimate means for bringing peace and harmony in our world."

The commissioner said he is confident that the other six commissioners, with whom he confers regularly will cooperate in chang-

ing the FCC's employment complexion.

During his meetings with the other six commissioners, Hooks' voting record has shown that he is above partisan politics and that his constituency is the nation's Blacks, women and other oppressed minority groups.

He has urged his colleagues to assign "a preference" for Black ownership in deciding on applications for new broadcasting facilities because, he says, "there is such a dearth of minority ownership and we must take the lead in doing something about it."

Hooks also has opposed the renewal of licenses to television and radio stations in cases where he felt that the stations might be discriminating against Blacks, women or other minority groups in hiring and failed to provide programming to meet the needs of minority-group listeners.

In explaining his support of preferential treatment for Black applicants for broadcast licenses,

## Hooks Favors 'A Preference' For Black Ownership

Hooks points out that only 20 of about 7,000 radio stations in the country are owned by Blacks and that no Blacks own television stations. "I think this nation will finally have to come around to the conclusion that you simply cannot expect people who have been handicapped and hobbled for 100 years or more in freedom and 200 years in slavery before that to come out on the track now and compete equally," he notes.

**M**ANY persons feel that, because he is only one person on a seven-man commission, Hooks cannot effect any real change in an industry that traditionally has been racist. Others say that he seeks to accomplish too much too soon and will burn himself out.

Sensitive to the attitudes of both groups, Hooks, with his gentle southern accent, responds

*Hooks joins his wife, Frances, and grandson, Patrick Gray, after swearing-in proceedings in Washington, D. C.*

to the first notion saying, "If after a couple years I feel that I am not effecting any change, I will quit. But one thing is for sure, when I'm gone, folks will know that I've been here."

And, for those who say the jaunty World War II veteran is moving in too many directions at once to accomplish his goal, Hooks recalls that Thomas Edison experimented with 800 materials before discovering a filament that wouldn't burn up inside his light bulb. "And someone came up to Edison and said, 'Mr. Edison, you have failed 800 times.' Edison replied, 'No I haven't. I've just found 800 ways not to do it.'"

"I am a realist," Hooks says. "But if something I try doesn't come out as I planned, it may not be a failure. I've just found another way *not* to do it."





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## LABOR

### Blacks Rap 'Hard Hat' Labor Choice Of Nixon

Black labor leaders and civil rights leaders have sharply criticized the recent nomination of New York labor leader Peter J. Brennan as U. S. Secretary of Labor by President Richard Nixon.



*Roy Wilkins*



*Herbert Hill*

Brennan, who has been described as a "hard hat" labor leader and who has been praised by AFL-CIO president George Meany as "a good choice" was condemned by Nate Smith, a Black Pittsburgh labor leader.

"He's a very racist person, very dangerous and very shrewd," Smith said.

Roy Wilkins, executive director of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), charged that "the nomination does not encourage Black people in this country who hope to get stricter enforcement of the anti-discrimination laws.

"If confirmed as Secretary of Labor," Wilkins said, "Mr. Brennan will be charged with the enforcement of non-discrimination clauses in federal contract employment. It's a little like expecting the fox to enforce the protection of the chicken coop," he said.

Herbert Hill, labor secretary of the NAACP charged that Brennan represents the most reactionary section of organized labor and that his appointment is a "political payoff to the enemies of the Black population."

"For a quarter of a century, Peter Brennan has protected and defended the racist practices of



*Nate Smith*



*Jesse L. Jackson*

the Building Trades Union. The Office of Federal Contract Compliance, a division of the Dept. of Labor has the responsibility of enforcing civil rights laws prohibiting discrimination in construction. What kind of enforcement can we expect with Peter Brennan as Secretary of Labor?"

Rev. Jesse L. Jackson, national president of Operation PUSH, said, "It is unfortunate that during a period of crisis that President Nixon would add on a problem rather than a solution.

"Blacks who supported Nixon should have been selected for the post. Arthur Fletcher (previously with the Nixon Administration as an assistant Secretary of Labor and currently executive director of the United Negro College Fund) should have had that job. But none of the Nixon supporters have challenged Nixon on the nomination," Rev. Jackson said.

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## CENSUS

### Heart Attack Is Fatal To Union Mediator



W. Abner

Services were held recently in Washington, D. C., for Willoughby Abner, 51, director for the National Center for Dispute Settlements of the American Arbitration Assn. Abner was stricken with a heart attack while celebrating his birthday at a staff party.

Abner, a graduate of Wilson College and John Marshall Law School, previously served as a political action for the United Auto Workers Union.

Abner is survived by his wife, Sinella; his mother, Mrs. Virginia Abner; four brothers, David Abner III, Motown Vice President Ewart G. Abner, Edward V. Abner and Theodore R. Abner, and two sisters, Mrs. Virginia Newman and Mrs. Rosemary Ellison.

### Howard U.'s Top Medic, Ex-College Teacher, Dies

Dr. Emile C. Nash, chief medical officer of the Howard University medical service at Washington (D. C.) General Hospital, died at the age of 53.

He taught medicine at Meharry, the University of Pittsburgh College of Medicine and the Howard University College of Medicine.

He is survived by his wife, Eva, and two daughters, Michele Lorraine and Sharon Eva W. Nash.

### Chicago Physician Dies Of Cancer At Age 60

Funeral services were held for Chicago physician, Stanley Hughes, who died recently of cancer at the age of 60.



Hughes, a *Stanley Hughes* graduate of Howard University and Howard University Medical School, was a man of "profound professional knowledge in all areas of medicine and had a sensitivity to the medical needs of his patients," recalled Dr. Melvin Maclin, a close associate of Hughes.

Hughes is survived by a daughter, Nancy Elizabeth; two sisters, Mrs. Alma Bryant, Mrs. Inez Bethel, and two brothers, Joseph and Gerod Hughes.

### Maryland Delegate Dies; One Of 1st Blacks In Area

Funeral services for Maryland State Delegate Floyd B. Adams were held recently. Adams, 60, a two-term member of the General Assembly, died of a heart attack at Johns Hopkins Hospital.

Adams was first elected to the General Assembly in 1966 and was one of the first Black delegates from his district. Speaker of the House Thomas Hunter Lowe spoke of Adams as being "one of the quietly effective members of the legislature."

Adams is survived by his wife, Thelma, and three children, Mrs. Maxine Torane, Mrs. Patricia Manigo and Robert Adams.

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# People



✧ **J. Wesley Walker**, a graduate of North Carolina A & T State University, has joined Procter & Gamble as a project engineer at the company's Jackson, Tenn., plant.

✧ **Robert J. Keyes**, formerly the only Black member of California Gov. Ronald Regan's staff as special aide for minority affairs, has been named director for urban affairs at Lockheed Aircraft Corp.

✧ **Yvonne Davis**, student of Jarvis Christian College in Hawkins, Tex., has been listed in *Who's Who Among American Colleges and Universities*.

✧ **Charles E. Donegan**, assistant professor of law at the New York State University School of Law, has been named a recipient of a Ford Foundation Fellowship to work on a doctorate of law degree at Columbia University.

✧ **Dr. Mary E. Robertson**, professor of social policy and administration at Boston (Mass.) College, has been named a faculty member of Indiana-Purdue University at Indianapolis.

✧ **Dr. Howard L. Kelley**, former assistant dental program director for the U. S. Dept. of Health, Education and Welfare in Philadelphia, has been named director of HEW's Illinois region.

✧ **Dr. Richard Carroll**, chairman of the Dept. of English at Spelman College in Atlanta, has been named a recipient of the Callaway Professional Chair, which is designed to recognize unusual accomplishments in college teaching.

✧ **Hampton P. Brown**, former accountant with the International Services Division of GAF Corp. in New York, has been named manager of equal employment recruitment in the firm's Corporate Personnel Relation's Equal Employment Opportunities Programs Dept.

✧ **Leonard W. Isabelle**, a former analyst of the Ford Motor Co., has been appointed dealer operations section supervisor in Ford Division's Business Management Department in Detroit, Mich.

✧ **Booker Rice**, former manager of Booker Rice & Associates in Chicago, has been promoted to director of the Prudential Insurance Co. Manpower Development Agency and assigned to its corporate headquarters in Newark, N. J.

✧ **Jesse Hill Jr.**, vice president of the Atlanta Life Insurance Co. and publisher of the Atlanta Inquirer newspaper, has been awarded the Anti-Defamation League (ADL) of B'nai B'rith's 1972 Abe Goldstein Human Relations Award.

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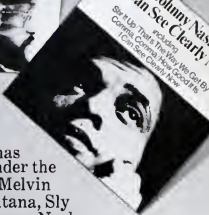
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# SOCIETY WORLD

**COCKTAIL CHIT CHAT:** The New York young set has welcomed **Dorothy Fort**, daughter of the **William Henry Forts** of Nashville, Tenn. Dorothy is a teacher of computer programming for IBM. . . . Dillard University's Kernery Hall was filled to capacity when Dr. **Broadus Butler**, Dillard president, presented the "Distinguished Alumni Service Award" to retired New Orleans public school music supervisor **Lucile Levy Hutton**. A long-time student of Straight University (now Dillard), she graduated with both the bachelor's and master's degrees from Oberlin (Ohio) College after completing elementary, high and normal school at "Old Straight." A charter member of the B Sharp Music Club founded by **Camille Nickerson**, the honoree was presented gifts from the Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority, Gentilly Dirt Dobbers Garden Club and the Retired Teachers Assn. of New Orleans. Dillard Nursing School alumnus **Rhetaugh G. Dumas**, chief of the psychiatric nursing section of the Dept. of Health, Education and Welfare, was the speaker of the evening. . . . Los Angeles' **Tony Hill**, creator of ceramics and lamps, is offering a fascinating line of stone-ware lamps which are made in his factory in Los Angeles and sold throughout the U. S. . . . While honeymooning in San Francisco, Dr. **C. Warfield Clarke** of Washington, D. C., was made a member of the American College of Surgeons. . . . Congratulations are in order for the election of Dr. **Theodosia (Teddy) Woolfolk-Millette** by the Gary (Ind.) Board of School Trustees. The young Black woman created five Model Cities educational programs that have been acclaimed as being among the finest in the country.



**THE BOWERS' STORY:** The summer of 1972 was a season of honors for Rev. and Mrs. **Andrew H. Bowers** of Bascom, Fla., a small rural community in the western part of the state. At the June commencement exercises of Florida A&M University, Rev. and Mrs. Bowers were given a citation for having had 11 of their 13 children graduate from FAMU. The two noncollege graduates—the two oldest sons—operate their own businesses and are financially successful. On July 2, all 133 of the Bowers' offspring, along with sons-in-law, daughters-in-law and 31 grandchildren and two great grandchildren, assembled at Bascom to honor Rev. and Mrs. Bowers on their 50th wedding anniversary. During the afternoon of the anniversary observance, a program was highlighted by the presentation of a 1972 Impala to Rev. Bowers by his sons and an electric washer and dryer to Mrs. Bowers by her daughters. The Bowers' offspring came from throughout the U. S. and included

the following: **Horace**, Los Angeles, operator of a tailoring and dry-cleaning establishment; **Andrew Jr.**, also of Los Angeles and also operator of a tailoring and dry-cleaning business; **Dr. Miron P. Bowers**, Los Angeles; **Atty. Theodore R. Bowers**, Panama City, Fla.; **Rev. Nehemiah Bowers**, Quincy, Fla.; **Wallace Bowers**, a barber in Tampa, Fla.; **Mrs. Gussie M. McIntosh**, a supervisor of administration in the public schools of Washington, D. C.; **Mrs. Thelma Swilley**, school-teacher and building construction contractor in Riviera Beach, Fla.; **Mrs. Queen Brown**, teacher and cosmetologist, Marianna, Fla.; **Mrs. Morris Blaine**, a Federal Bureau of Investigation secretary, Hyattsville, Md., and **Mrs. Doris Herring**, librarian, Seat Pleasant, Md.

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**PARTY FARE:** An epicurean feast to satisfy the heart and soul as well as the palate was set before 100 fun-loving guests when the Friendly Amateur Winemaking Society made its debut. The wine sip was staged in the Penthouse West of the Playboy Towers in Chicago. The amateur winemakers stirred and sniffed in their kitchen for months and perfected the technique of making wines from the natural fruits, often with better-than-professional results, according to chief elbow-bender, spokesman and president of this august society, **Julius C. Thomas Jr.** The group, which includes two bankers, a mortgage broker, two postal officials, an Evanston, Ill., high school teacher, a chemist, a decorator, a president of a hardware store and an importer of fine fruits, is interracial in makeup. The bon vivants offered their specialties—dandelion wine (25 gallons) fresh strawberry, pear and apple wine; corn cob wine recipe and watermelon wine.

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■ **An Affair:** At the annual dinner-dance of the 52nd Association Inc. of Illinois, an organization which sponsors social activities for disabled veterans, many veterans were honored in Chicago recently with all-star entertainment, including a 15-piece orchestra and gourmet dinner. One of the honored is **Richard Gordon** and on hand to brighten the festivities are (l-r) **Mrs. Claudia Robinson**, **Mrs. Celeste Osgood**, **Sylvia Flanagan** and **Mrs. Ruth Wagner**, all of the Johnson Publishing Co. except guest, **Mrs. Osgood**.

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**RAVELOGUE:** Wealthy Haitian matron **Edna (Mrs. Frank) Cardozo** made New York City the first stop on her around-the-world trip. During the six-month trip, she will visit in Munich, Germany, with daughter **Nadine**, a member of the public relations department of the Olympic Organization; in Madagascar, Africa, with daughter **Garth Stefanson**, who is expecting her first child. To travelers to Haiti, the Cardozos are known as the owners of the deluxe Montana Hotel. . . . New York beautician **Maude Gadsen** and 24 of her colleagues from across the U. S. have returned from a memorable journey through West Africa. And they said they did not see a single Afro. . . . International Golf Club members—more than 475—are booking now for summer play in Kenya and Tanzania, Africa. Contact **Earl Jackson**. . . . Paris shoe designer **Donald Hubbard** (he is a native of Gary, Ind.) postcards from Jamaica that he had a superball on his first trip. In Kingston, Jamaica, he was the guest of the **Norman Husseys**. . . . International artist **Herbert Gentry** is back in Stockholm, Sweden, after painting and lithographing in Paris, France, and Geneva, Switzerland, and looking forward to a winter visit in New York.



**Honored:** At an inaugural luncheon honoring Mrs. Lena Saunders, president of the Allied Cosmetologists Inc. of Illinois in Chicago, friends congratulate her election. Among those honoring Mrs. Saunders are (l-r) Leon Perry, director of Economic Development Corp. of Eastern North Carolina; William H. Robinson, director of the State of Illinois Dept. of Registration and Education; Mrs. Saunders; George E. Johnson, president of the Johnson Products Co.; Mrs. Freddie M. Coleman, outgoing president of Allied Cosmetologists Inc. of Illinois; J. Clifford Alford, director of the Dr. Martin L. King Neighborhood Health Center, and Mrs. Ruthie M. Leggett, general chairperson.



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# Words of the Week

**Muhammad Kenyatta**, director of the Black Economic Development Conference, on Blacks using the money they spend on entertainment, "just as politically as they use their votes": *"Patricia Nixon can't do the boogaloo and I'm sure she hasn't seen Shaft, Slaughter or the other Black movies. It's Black people, poor people and people on welfare who buy the records and spend their money to support these entertainers."*

**Lou Rawls Jr.**, when his famous father told him that his generation would be able to make regular trips to the moon: *"Daddy, I don't want to go visit on the moon because there ain't nothing up there."*

**Rev. Jesse Jackson**, president of Operation PUSH (People United to Save Humanity), discussing the purpose of his recent visit to Liberia, West Africa: *"The relationship of Black Americans to Africans has to move from romance to finance and from lip service to ship service."*

**Rev. Leon H. Sullivan**, founder-director of the Opportunities Industrialization Center, on how Progress Plaza in North Philadelphia came into being: *"We went to a bank and told of our plan to build the plaza. The banker said, 'Reverend, we can't help you. That's a million-dollar project. You've got to have equity of your own.' We opened a suitcase and dumped \$200,000 on the banker's desk and his glasses fell off. He said, 'Mr. Sullivan, I think we can work it out.' . . . Our church members got together a plan for each of us to save \$10 a month for 36 months and when we had \$200,000, we put together Progress Plaza."*

**Rev. Joseph E. Lloyd**, assistant pastor of People's Community Church in Detroit, in a radio sermon: *"If I am to be the fool for anybody—I'd rather be a fool for God."*

**William Marshall**, Shakespearean actor and star of the film *Blacula*, on the South becoming a better place for the Blacks to live: *"There's more promise there, less pollution and more land that's fertile. People who know how to work the soil can make a living there. If you can get your own land and raise crops, you are way ahead in terms of survival."*



Lou Rawls Jr.



M. Kenyatta



William Marshall



Joseph Lloyd



THE WEEK'S  
BEST PHOTOS

**■ The Season's Male:** Struggling to open the mailbox, Ronny Powell, 8, of Washington, D. C., is ahead of all late-comers to the post office Christmas rush. He knows that recommended deadline for surface cards is Dec. 15 and Dec. 20 for airmail—and that's more than a mouthful.

*Courtesy, U.S. Postal Service*



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## AMBITIOUS

Texan Rosie Reddic of Dallas wants to become a top model. Etched to a 36-26-38 figure, she presently is a cocktail waitress who enjoys traveling and bike riding.

*Jim Struggs*



*Bob Langer*

■ **Before And After:** Look'n mighty clean as he sets out to do grid-iron battle against Sullivan High School, Anthony Cofield, a Fenger High School team member, concludes his football team's 26-0 win during a Chicago Public League playoff game in two words—a mess.



*Isaac Sutton*

■ **Little Boy And Blue:** Realizing that the picture on the wall in the new Johnson Publishing Co. building in Chicago is the same as the person holding him, Asa Sebastian Adriatico, 2, laughs at pitcher Vida Blue as his mother, model-singer Kandi Moore, watches.

## **Flip Wilson Paternity Suit Slated For Court Hearing On January 10**

Flip Wilson, who skyrocketed to television fame with quick-change comic creations such as Freddy Johnson, a swinging bachelor and Rev. Leroy has been summoned to appear in the Los Angeles Superior Court on Jan. 10 to answer a complaint which charges that he is the father of dancer Mabel Robinson's six-month-old son.

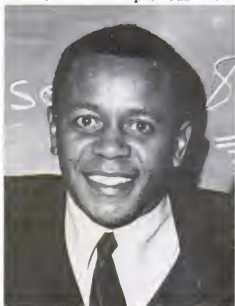
Miss Robinson, an attractive professional dancer who graduated from New York's Juilliard School of Music (dance department), said in a court petition that she gave birth to a baby boy, Joseph, in New York City on May 26, 1972, and alleges that the father is the popular television star who is identified in the petition as Clerow Wilson, his off-stage name.

Charging that Wilson has "failed and refused, and continues to fail and refuse to provide adequate funds for support" of the baby, Miss Robinson petitioned the court to have Wilson answer her complaint for support and to establish the paternity of the infant Joseph.

Represented by Los Angeles Attys. Sidney Gittler, David Greenberg and Frank J. Magee, the New York dancer will have her lawyers ask the court to: 1) name Wilson as the father of the child, 2) order him to pay a "reasonable amount each month for support

and maintenance of the child," 3) order Wilson to "pay for hospital and medical expenses incurred at the birth of the child, 4) order Wilson to pay a "reasonable sum for attorney's fees and court costs" and 5) to "pay for such relief as is proper."

Wilson, a bachelor who has four children from a previous mar-



*Refusing to comment on lawsuit, Wilson faces a January hearing.*

riage, has remained unavailable to JET for comment on the paternity suit and has not released a statement to the press about the case. Cathy Banks, who handles publicity for Wilson at NBC-TV, told JET that "the only thing I know about it (the suit) is what I've read in the papers."

Miss Robinson declined to talk to JET about her relationship with the television star and also refused to discuss her legal action against him.



Isaac Sutton

*Unaware that she is being photographed with telephoto lens, Miss Robinson pauses during a stroll with her infant son, Joseph.*



# WEEKLY ALMANAC



**PROUD PIGG.** The little Oregon boy was born and his proud parents envisioned great things for him—maybe governor of Oregon, Gov. Ure A. Pigg or even President. As he grew up, others did not have the same visions his parents had and so in public school most of his time was spent defending his name. "My nose used to take on a new shape every week. But, Ure A. Pigg is who I am and that's who I'll stay," said Pigg, now the owner of a Warrenton, Ore., seafood restaurant.



**COMPUTER CONFUSION.** It seems Moscow computers have never heard of women's lib. The computer at the Novosibirsk Computing Center only gave correct answers to male mathematicians and when a woman approached it, the computer gave wrong or absurd answers. The forces of women's liberation won't have to battle the world of automation, because it wasn't the woman, but her synthetic fibers (clothes) producing an electric field which affected the computer's performance.



**CASE OF THE MISSING CHICKEN LIVERS.** Law enforcement officials in Arizona are trying to solve the case of the missing chicken livers that were en route to California from Texas. The 38,000 pounds of livers came from approximately 279,000 full-grown chickens and

were valued at \$25,000. Police are enlisting the aid of the community to be on the lookout for the truck with the missing chicken livers.



**REAL LIVE EVIDENCE.** When detectives in Woodbury, N. Y., reported that the evidence in a burglary case spit at them, their superiors probably thought it was time for them to take a long vacation. The evidence, however, was a three-foot long California king snake which had allegedly been stolen by three youths from a high school biology lab. The snake, thought to be dead, was draped over a table, but suddenly started spitting.



**WORDS OF PREVENTION.** "Dear Burglar: We have removed all sound equipment and all fixtures. There is nothing here but the paint on the bare walls. Please wait until we reopen in May. Harlow's." The management of Harlow's nightclub in Atlantic City, N. J., tacked the note to prospective burglars on its door.



**IT COMETH BY BOAT.** The mail must go through, albeit rain, sleet or snow. But sometimes it takes a little help from friends. A Portland, Me., postman mentioned to a couple of teen-agers that he had to slog through knee-deep water on a school street to deliver the mail. The two youths borrowed a 14-foot metal boat and paddled the mailman the length of the street.

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## Ignored By NFL, Black QB Wins Canada Rookie Honors



*Chuck Ealey*

One National Football League loss is a Canadian Football League gain as quarterback Chuck Ealey has shown our Northern neighbors. In his first year in the Canadian League, Ealey led the Hamilton (Ontario) Tiger Cats to a title, winning the final game for the Grey Cup 13-10.

Although he played behind veteran Wally Gabler at the season's outset, Ealey got his chance when the Tiger Cats management reasoned that the team was headed for a losing season anyway.

Ealey, a former star with the University of Toledo, was named the Most Valuable Player in the game and also won Rookie of the Year honors for the season. During the regular season, Ealey completed 132 of 227 passes for 2,230 yards and 22 touchdowns. Continuing his style of running the ball to keep defenses off balance, Ealey netted 506 yards in 84 carries.

At a solid 6 feet, 185 pounds, Ealey was passed over by the NFL squads supposedly because he was "too small." Ealey, however, insists that he was not drafted because of his refusal to play any position other than quarterback in the NFL. The Tiger Cats reportedly signed Ealey for \$100,000.

## Personal Problems Keep Black Ga. Tech Quarterback Out Of Final Season Game

Georgia Tech's first Black quarterback, Eddie McAshan, who recently stretched his school records to 13, did not play in the Yellow Jackets final season game because he missed a practice session. The game was also his last regular season game for Tech as he is a senior.



*Eddie McAshan*

McAshan said he failed to show up at practice for the game against the rival University of Georgia team because of "very serious personal problems and reasons." He added, "I was suspended by coach Bill Fulcher. . . . I went to see coach Fulcher at a motel in Commerce, Ga. I apologized for my actions. I indicated I wanted to play for the team against Georgia. I hope my teammates will forgive me."

Without McAshan, Georgia Tech lacked the fuel to overtake its rival and lost 27-7.

The star quarterback added, "I sincerely regret what has happened over the last few days. I wanted to play with my Georgia teammates in this game more than anything in the world. My mother and family looked forward to attending this game."

There is a possibility that McAshan might also miss Tech's Liberty Bowl date against Iowa State.

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# A Small Town's Mystery: The Death Of Jim Duncan

Ronald E. Kisner

Highway No. 521 takes you from Charlotte, N. C., down a quiet forest-lined road into Lancaster, S. C., where about 3,000 of America's 22 million Blacks live. The median yearly income for Blacks in the community is between \$2,000 and \$3,000 and they get about town either by walking or driving Volkswagens and used Chevys and Fords.

There is an NAACP branch there. But the director, Rev. James W. Calicutt, 70, said, "I've put my neck out on the line for years but couldn't get any support."

It is small wonder then that the mysterious death of 26-year-old James E. Duncan caused a brief ripple in this town of 10,000.

The details of Duncan's death are puzzling.

On Friday, Oct. 21, James (Butch) Duncan, a former member of the world champion Baltimore Colts football team, reportedly parked his yellow Volkswagen in front of the Lancaster News office, the town's only newspaper, crossed the street to Fish's Pawn Shop, which is loaded with guns, dashed out of there, empty-handed, went to the police station, about three blocks away, walked in with-



*At his peak, Duncan led AFC kick-off returns with 35.4 yard average. Police say he killed self with pistol on left in detective holster. Other holster is standard model. Pills and pipe were supposedly in Duncan's car. Pills are muscle relaxer.*



out speaking, allegedly grabbed a .38-caliber pistol from the right hip of Lt. Russell Hinson, whose back was turned to the door as Duncan entered, and fatally shot himself through the head just below his right ear.

From the point of Duncan's death, the mystery reaches enormous complexities. Police Chief Larry Lower, 36, noted that since he has been the police chief, Hinson has never worn a gun in the building. He said there were three other police employes in the lobby of the compact police department when Duncan arrived.

"Lt. Hinson turned around and grabbed Duncan's shoulders but was unable to stop him from committing suicide. Hinson dropped him after that," Lower said.

Pictures that Lower would not release show that Duncan ended up on his back in the hallway immediately to the right of where he was to have shot himself. They show that the pistol is on his left side, although he allegedly shot himself with his right hand. Lower, who has accused the newspapers of creating doubt that the shooting occurred any other way than the way he explained it, said, "Duncan dropped the gun and then he toppled over it making the gun end up on his left side."

Lt. Hinson (Lower refused to permit JET to interview Hinson or the other three persons who were in the building at the time the shooting occurred, saying that he spoke for the department) was wearing a detective holster that day ("It's his own personal holster," Lower said), although he is

not a detective, the chief said.

Lower was two blocks away in the city manager's office when he was called about the shooting. Instead of calling Mrs. Ella Ree Duncan, Jim's mother, he had someone call Aaron R. Rucker, the chief high school supervisor of Lancaster High School and asked him if he would accompany Lt. William Driggers to the ABC Liquor Store where Mrs. Duncan is a clerk. Rucker has lived in Lancaster more than 30 years. His son is a dentist and most of his patients are white.

Rucker, known as "professor," is considered one of the town's most respected Blacks and when trouble breaks out on the Black side of town Aaron Rucker is usually called. He'd known Duncan since he was a child.

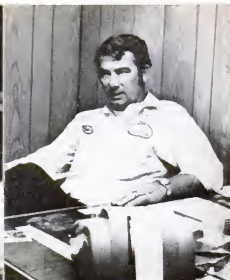
"We generally try to call somebody close to the family to identify the body," began Lower. "We don't like to upset the family."

Mrs. Duncan said that Rucker and Driggers only told her that Jim had been shot.

"They never told me he was dead," said the mother of seven remaining children. "They just took me to my home and said Jim had been shot."

The first time Mrs. Duncan said she saw her son's body was the next Monday in the McMullen Funeral Home when her oldest remaining son, Elroy, 23, took her there.

Neither Lower nor Coroner Richard Chandler, who also runs the Lancaster Auto Body Shop, called for an autopsy. "If there's one mistake I made," stated Low-



*Lower (l) is convinced Duncan committed suicide as is Coroner Chandler. Lower said case could reopen if sufficient cause is given before grand jury.*

## **No Autopsy Performed After Duncan's Death**

er, "perhaps it's that I didn't call for an autopsy."

Chandler said he didn't think it was necessary. There were no fingerprints taken off the gun. Chandler also admitted that he almost didn't call for an inquest. "Then I thought about the controversy involved and I decided to have the inquest to let everybody involved have their say," he said.

Chandler handpicked the six-man jury. The one Black was Billy Ray Crawford (the only name he would reveal) who was also Chandler's assistant in the body shop. The jury listened to the testimony of five police department employees; Dr. Joe Smith, who examined the body, and Harvey Coates, a South Carolina Law Enforcement Division officer who was meeting near the Lancaster Police Station the day of Duncan's

death.

The jury's verdict was that Jim Duncan died of a gunshot wound that was "self-inflicted." None of the aspects of the proceeding were challenged because Christopher Coates, the lawyer the Duncan family hired to represent them, was late arriving to the inquest from Columbia. Despite pleas from the Duncan family to delay the inquest, Chandler refused. "I just couldn't stop it. The courtroom was crowded with about 300 people and the inquest was already half way over when he arrived."

Later, he said that he could have delayed it had he wanted to.

Butch Duncan's woes began when he lost practically all of his 1970 playoff, Super Bowl and regular season earnings in a wig business he started, according to his brother, Elroy.

"Jim really lost a lot of confidence in people after he lost that money," explained Elroy, who starred as a quarterback at Johnson C. Smith University. "He used to have a lot of trust in people."

After struggling for three years to make the Colts' first team, Duncan got a break in 1970 to return kickoffs. He responded by leading the National Football League's American Conference with a 35.4 yard average that was good enough to set a team record.

Duncan suffered a head injury in a game in November of that year, his mother said. But head X-rays showed that there was no serious damage, although she remembers him telling her that he couldn't remember things so well since the blow to his head.

The next year, Duncan was traded to the New Orleans Saints. His performance was poor and Harry Hulmes, a Saints vice president, said they sent Duncan through both a physical and psy-

chiatric checkup.

Duncan was hospitalized in New Orleans for a bleeding ulcer. When he returned, Hulmes said he couldn't make the grade and he was waived to the Miami Dolphins this year. But he didn't make the team and was cut. He returned one final time to Lancaster.

It was first suspected by Lower that perhaps Butch Duncan was under the influence of drugs on that fateful Friday. He produced for this writer a water pipe and a small bottle of circular pills (allegedly taken from Duncan's car) officially referred to as "drug paraphernalia." At the inquest, there was no attempt to link Duncan with drugs.

"But Jim was harassed by the Lancaster police," Elroy recalled. "Once they accused him of stealing a pair of \$20 shoes. But they never arrested him because they knew they didn't have anything to back them up. I think the police thought he was responsible for the drug traffic. They said that the

*This is last known place Duncan was at on day of his death. Rucker said he saw Duncan but was not recognized by him.*



## 'He Always Wanted To Help His Mother'

traffic increased whenever Jim returned home."

Although Jim Duncan was never arrested for drugs, Lower said he was under investigation for drug-related matters. But he admitted, "I don't know to what extent Jim was involved."

Mrs. Duncan hesitantly recalled a disturbing conversation she had with Jim the day before he died

he said, 'Mama, somebody's out there to kill me.'

"I said, 'Butch, don't be silly. Who'd want to kill you?' He said, 'Somebody's out there to shoot me . . . ' He told me, 'You'll know when it happens. The person involved, he'll be the one.'"

The family and Jim's friends and some of his previous employers like Don Klosterman, a former Colts executive now with the Los Angeles Rams, find it hard to believe that Butch Duncan would take his own life.

"He was the type of boy who always wanted to do something for his mother," said Mrs. Duncan. "He built a house for me and always bought me clothes," Jim would spend \$600, \$700 or \$800 on Elroy during training camp and he bought him a Mark III last year while he himself drove a Volkswagen. Elroy added, "He would go up to the pool room and put out \$100 or \$200 . . . he just didn't care much about money."

From all indications, Jim Duncan did care about life, despite the wig business failure, a marriage that didn't work (he was in the process of getting a divorce before he died) and his pro-football downfall.

There is no more agony for Jim Duncan.

Now the family must forever endure the painful mystery which they said might never be solved to their satisfaction. Elroy reasons, "We can debate forever about what happened that day to Jim. . . ."



*Holding her youngest son, Morrall Unitas, Mrs. Duncan talks fondly of her son's legacy.*

that possibly sheds light on the harassment he was allegedly receiving from the police. "I don't like to talk about it," she began, "because I'm saving the 'best stuff' for a book I'm writing about his life. But we were in the living room and he was playing with my youngest boy (he's 18 months old and Jim named him Morrall Unitas after Earl Morrall and Johnny Unitas). . . . And all of a sudden

## Rodgers Is First Black To Win The Heisman Trophy Since O. J. Simpson In 1968

It's been four years since O. J. Simpson ran his way into collegiate football immortality with the University of Southern California and ran away with the coveted Heisman Trophy award. That was the last time a Black person won the award until Nebraska's Johnny Rodgers, the greatest all around back in collegiate football history, recently won the top college grid-iron award.

As it turned out, Lincoln Municipal Court Judge Neal H. Dusenberry's prediction was correct last summer. Rodgers came before Judge Dusenberry after he was arrested for driving a motor vehicle (JET, June 6, 1972) on a suspended operator's license—a misdemeanor. Rodgers pleaded before Judge Dusenberry, "If you send me to jail my life and career will be ruined." But Judge Dusenberry told Rodgers that "a misdemeanor shouldn't end your career."

Not only was Rodgers' football career continued but the 175-pounder caught 147 career passes for 2,667 yards and 26 touchdowns. He also returned kicks for a 16-yard average and ran the ball 133 times for 838 yards.

"I feel that I deserved the Heisman award," Rodgers said. "They (some sports writers) were judging me now on something I did four years ago (holding up a gas station) when they should have judged me four years ago. It's no

secret I've been in trouble. I feel I've overcome this. The award gives me a great deal of pride."

Interestingly enough, the top three contestants for the Heisman were Black. Oklahoma's Greg Pruitt was second and Rodgers' teammate Rich Glover, a defensive lineman, was third in the balloting.

Rodgers, an English major from Omaha, set 19 Nebraska records in leading the Cornhuskers to national championships in 1970 and '71 and an 8-2 record this year, good enough to place them in the Orange Bowl against Notre Dame. He challenged those against him to "take the time to know me . . . I'm a better man now."



*Rodgers shows new Heisman Award  
after his selection.*

## Mayfield Seeks \$1 Million In 'Super Fly' Record Case



**Curtis Mayfield** The controversy over legal rights to two songs from the highly successful *Super Fly* record album recently resulted in a \$1 million lawsuit which singer-composer Curtis Mayfield filed against music arranger Johnny Pate.

The suit, filed in U. S. District Court in New York, asked the court to declare Mayfield the sole author and Camad Music Co. the sole publisher to the compositions *Think* and *Junky Chase*.

In addition, Mayfield seeks \$1 million damages for alleged defamation of character.

According to Atty. Lew Harris, the lawyer representing Mayfield, the action was filed after Pate allegedly "publicly claimed" co-authorship of the compositions.

"We aren't denying that Johnny Pate performed a very useful service in the arranging of the songs," Harris explained, "but he was an author for hire; he was paid a fee for his service."

But Pate, who has worked as an arranger for Mayfield for about 14 years, refuted Harris' allegations.

"I am entitled to half of the composing rights for those two tunes because I wrote the melodic line to both," Pate asserted.

## Mrs. Poitier Files Suit Over Alimony From Sidney

Mrs. Juanita Poitier, estranged wife of pioneering screen actor Sidney Poitier, has filed a civil suit in Albany (N. Y.) County Supreme Court



**Juanita Poitier** to have him reveal his financial status to determine whether she is entitled to further support money according to a 1964 separation agreement. He obtained a Mexican divorce in 1965.

According to the action she has filed, Mrs. Poitier is entitled to 50 percent of her husband's yearly income over \$50,000 and 48 percent of his yearly income over \$250,000, before taxes.

Mrs. Poitier told JET that she filed the suit four weeks ago because in her last check she received from Poitier, there was a note from his agent telling her that "Mr. Poitier would not be working next year and you will be receiving fewer checks, if any . . . and if you are not satisfied with the new arrangement, we suggest you see your lawyer."

"It's not personal at all," Mrs. Poitier said. "I just wanted to know what they were talking about. It's a matter of a business agreement."

Mrs. Poitier said that she has been receiving on the average about \$101,000 yearly since 1965 from Poitier.

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# People Are Talking About

- \* Singer Billy Paul and his "burning" popularity which is due largely to the million-selling single, *Me And Mrs. Jones*. In the wee hours of the morning following Paul's appearance recently at Crenshaw Palace in Los Angeles, the place burned down and Paul lost all of his instruments. A few nights later, while the singer was appearing at Freddie Jett's Piper Club, someone pulled a prank and sent several fire trucks to the place. But when firemen arrived, the only thing "cooking" at the club was Paul doing his thing.
- \* The early age at which Kevin Hooks, who appeared in *Sounder*, is retiring. The 13-year-old son of actor Robert Hooks said that he's quitting show business until he finishes high school and college. "I don't want to be like some of those people I've read about in the papers who grew up acting," he says. "The trouble with them is, they never really did grow up. Their careers as actors and actresses spoiled them as people."
- \* The latest chapter in the romantic life of Melba Moore and actor Clifton Davis, who at one time had a thing going with singer-actress Melba Moore. The December issue of *Glamour* magazine has a two-page spread of Davis getting into the festive Christmas spirit with Diana Seijo. Meanwhile, Melba Moore has reportedly been jetting in and out of Chicago where she can happily sing *I Got Love*, referring to the "thing" that's on between her and Pervis Staples.
- \* Dallas Cowboys tight end Jean Fugett, who is old enough to carry the pigskin but has to call on his wife, Anne, whenever he wants to get a six-pack. "It's kinda embarrassing," Fugett, 20, admits, "but when I want a beer I want a beer. I'm glad my old lady doesn't mind nursing me—with liquor in the bottle." Mrs. Fugett, 22, said that "buying beer for my husband isn't half as embarrassing as it is when people see me and think that I'm white. Now that's a real bomber."
- \* Former world heavyweight champion Muhammad Ali who's been signed to star in a Black-oriented remake of *Here Comes Mr. Jordan*. Folks in the know claim that actor Godfrey Cambridge will co-star in the film as an "angel?" Ali first tried his hand at acting and singing when he starred in *Big Time Buck White*.

—WILLIAM E. BERRY

## Trumpet Player Kenny Dorham Dies At 49

Jazz trumpet player McKinley Howard (Kenny) Dorham, one of the pioneers of modern trumpet during the bop era, died recently in New York of a kidney ailment.

Dorham, 49, played with the bands of Dizzy Gillespie, Billy Eckstine, Lionel Hampton in the mid-1940s and with The Charlie Parker Quintet from 1948-50.

He later worked with Art Blakey, Max Roach and various groups of his own.

According to Dorham's brother, Joel, the trumpeter had played at a New York nightclub only four hours before his death.

Dorham's survivors include a wife, Rubina.

## Isaac Hayes To Star In Proposed Film Role

Singer-composer Isaac Hayes, who recently received top Broadcast Music Inc. honors for his Academy Award-winning theme from the movie *Shaft*, revealed that he plans to have a starring role in an upcoming movie.

"Maybe I shouldn't have said anything about it," Hayes smiled. "It might be too early. But plans are in the making for me to have a good role in a movie."

Hayes made his disclosure during annual BMI ceremonies in Memphis, where 128 writers and 61 publishers of 93 rhythm and blues songs received citations of achievement as the most performed songs of their type.

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**Leslie Uggams** kept things pretty warm at the Waldorf-Astoria—especially when she got down on the religious numbers. The pretty Miss Uggams is getting her soul more and more together every day. Her husband, **Grahame Pratt**, had to miss the engagement. . . . **Jonelle Allen** is working with Apollo Theater manager **Honi Coles** on an act which will pay tribute to the late **Florence Mills**, who is best remembered as "The First Black Lady of Entertainment." . . . *Super Fly II* is in the works with **Alex Haley** doing the script. **Ron O'Neal** will both star and direct the sequel which will be filmed in Rome and Senegal. **Sheila Frazier** of the original cast is also in the followup. . . . Statuesque **Tamara Dobson**, who won the starring role in Warner Bros. new adventure-thriller *Cleopatra Jones*, is taking karate lessons in Hollywood from **Bong Hoohan**, who taught **Tom McLaughlin**. . . . *The Electric Company*, the educational television show produced by Black producer **Andrew B. Ferguson Jr.** that helps kids to learn to read, is now on album with **Lee Chamberlain**, **Bill Cosby** and **Rita Moreno**. **Jimmy Booker** says adults can dig it, too. . . . **Carole Cole**, the daughter of the late **Nat King Cole**, received excellent plaudits for her leading role in *What If It Had Turned Up Heads?*, a new play by **J. E. Gaines** which recently was held over at Harlem's Lafayette Theater. . . . **Jim Lowe**, **Duke Ellington's** road manager, is planning a Black Arts Festival for August, 1973. Some of his friends are wondering if he will be trying to give **George Wein's** New York-Newport Jazz Festival a run for its money. Meanwhile, Lowe's boss is set to supply some regal sounds at the official inaugural ball for **President Nixon**. . . . **Dick Campbell**, executive director of the Sickle Cell Anemia Foundation of Greater New York, is very excited about *Warm December*, **Sidney Poitier's** latest film, a tender love story with a sickle cell theme. The movie was shot in London and a spring premiere may benefit the Sickle Cell Anemia Foundation. **Johnny Sekka**, the Senegalese-born actor who portrays Poitier's rival, is in New York, meanwhile, and slightly tiffed over the antics of a fellow Senegalese, **Johnny Secka**, filmmaker, who he feels has been cashing in on his fame. . . . On his last trip to the city, **Rev. Jesse L. Jackson** set up plans for a Harlem version of Chicago's Black Christmas. The theme will be "Save and Help the Children." . . . **Micki Grant's** *Don't Bother Me I Can't Cope* was the only play that Mrs. **Salvador Allende** saw on her recent brief visit to the city. She accompanied her husband, the president of Chile, who was here to address the United Nations.

—M. CORDELL THOMPSON

# DECEMBER EBONY REVIEWS THE BLACK FILMS

A PREVIEW  
OF COMING  
ATTRACTIONS

## BLACK COLLEGE FOOTBALL FIGHTS FOR SURVIVAL

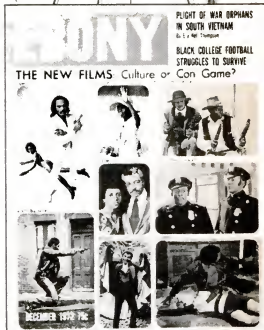
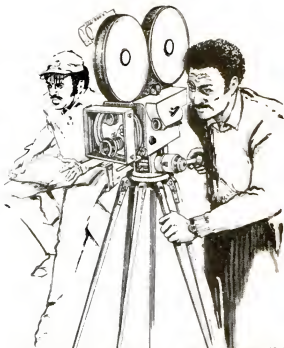
### A RAP ON SELF-HATRED

by Alvin F. Poussaint, M.D. & The  
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## PLIGHT OF BLACK BABIES IN VIETNAM

by Era Bell Thompson,  
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Black America says,  
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# SOUL BROTHERS **TOP 20**

## Title, Artist and Label

- ① **ME AND MRS. JONES**.....Billy Paul (Philadelphia International)
- ② **SUPERSTITIOUS**.....Stevie Wonder (Tamla)
- ③ **YOU OUGHT TO BE WITH ME**.....Al Green (Hi)
- ④ **I'LL BE AROUND**.....The Spinners (Atlantic)
- ⑤ **I GOT A BAG OF MY OWN** .....James Brown (Polydor)
- ⑥ **PAPA WAS A ROLLING STONE**.....The Temptations (Gordy)
- ⑦ **LOVE JONES**.....The Brighter Side Of Darkness (20th Century)
- ⑧ **LOVE AND HAPPINESS**.....Al Green (Hi)
- ⑨ **STONE IN LOVE WITH YOU**.....The Stylistics (Avco)
- ⑩ **BABY SITTER**.....Betty Wright (Alston)
- ⑪ **SAVE THAT THANG** .....The Ramshots (A & I)
- ⑫ **TROUBLE IN MY HOME** .....Joe Simon (Spring)
- ⑬ **BREAKING UP SOMEBODY'S HOME**.....Albert King (Stax)
- ⑭ **IF YOU DON'T KNOW ME BY NOW**  
Harold Melvin and The Blue Notes (Philadelphia International)
- ⑮ **WHY CAN'T WE LIVE TOGETHER** .....Timmy Thomas (Glades)
- ⑯ **WORK TO DO**.....The Isley Brothers (T-Neck)
- ⑰ **I AM WOMAN** .....Helen Reddy (Capitol)
- ⑱ **FEEL THE NEED IN ME**.....The Detroit Emeralds (Westbound)
- ⑲ **WE NEED ORDER** .....The Chi-Lites (Brunswick)
- ⑳ **I CAN SEE CLEARLY NOW**.....Johnny Nash (Epic)



*Billy Paul*



*Stevie Wonder*



*Al Green*

## James Earl Jones Gets Weekly Television Show



*James Earl Jones*

syndicated early next year.

The show, to be titled *Black Omnibus*, will use a variety type format, exploring music, comedy, dance, literature and Black involvement in politics and religion.

The premiere show, which has already been completed, will feature actor Jim Brown, rock singer Maxine Weldon, dancer Paula Kelly and The James Cleveland Gospel Singers.

In addition to hosting the show each week, Jones will assist in writing it.

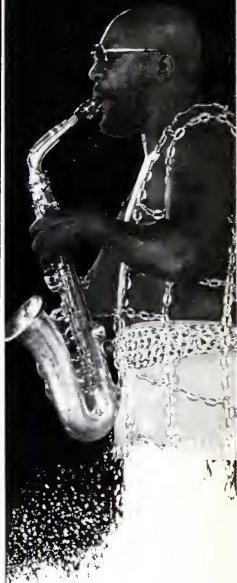
Jones received critical praise for his performance in *The Great White Hope*, and is currently starring in *The Man*, a film about America's first Black President.

## Cicely Tyson Receives Women Council Award

Actress Cicely Tyson recently became the second film star to be honored by the National Council of Negro Women for a performance in a motion picture.

The organization named Miss Tyson a recipient of its Black Women's Distinguished Service Award for her starring role in the film *Sounder*.

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# TELEVISION

## Grammy Award Winner Charley Pride On *Love Is* Special



*Tony Brown*



*Lynn Hamilton*



*Hari Rhodes*



*Roberta Flack*

Charley Pride, the 1971 "Country Music Entertainer of the Year" (also winner of two Grammy Awards and holder of 18 gold records) joins the guests on the holiday special *Love Is* . . . Barbara Eden (Friday, Dec. 15, at 9 p.m., EST) on ABC-TV. Others scheduled to appear on television this week include:

**Melba Tolliver**, on *What's My Line* (Friday, Dec. 15, at 1 p.m., EST) on CBS-TV.

**Lynn Hamilton**, on *Sanford and Son* (Friday, Dec. 15, at 8 p.m., EST) on NBC-TV.

**Lloyd Haynes** and **Denise Nicholas**, on *Room 222* (Friday, Dec. 15, at 9 p.m., EST) on ABC-TV.

**Stevie Wonder** and **Roberta Flack**, on *The John Lennon Special* (Friday, Dec. 15, at 10 p.m., EST) on ABC-TV.

**Hari Rhodes**, in *The Streets of San Francisco* (Saturday, Dec. 16, at 9 p.m., EST) on ABC-TV.

**Greg Morris**, on *Password* (Monday-Friday, Dec. 18-22, at 12:30 p.m., EST) on ABC-TV.

**George Kirby**, on *The New Bill Cosby Show* (Monday, Dec. 18, at 10 p.m., EST) on CBS-TV.

**Tony Brown**, hosts *Black Journal* (Tuesday, Dec. 19, at 9:30 p.m., EST) on PBS-TV.

**James A. Watson Jr.**, on *The Paul Lynde Show* (Wednesday, Dec. 20, at 8 p.m., EST) on ABC-TV.

**Diahann Carroll**, on *The Julie Andrews Hour* (Wednesday, Dec. 20, at 8:30 p.m., EST) on ABC-TV.

**Slappy White**, on *The Flip Wilson Show* (Thursday, Dec. 21, at 8 p.m., EST) on NBC-TV.



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